JOB ANNOUNCEMENT COMPETITIVE NOTICE

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Position: Regulatory Program Analyst	Announcement No: ETA-04-112PN
Series/Grade: GS-301-14	Opening Date: August 23, 2004
	Closing Date: September 3, 2004
Salary Range: \$85,210 - \$110,775 (includes locality pay of 14.63%)	Number of Vacancies: One (1)
	Bargaining Unit: Outside Bargaining Unit
Organizational/Geographic Location: Employment & Training Administration Office of Policy Development and Research Division of Policy, Legislation and Dissemination Washington, DC	Promotion Potential: None
	Civil Service Status Required: No
	Temporary Position: No - Permanent
	Part-time Position: Full-Time
Duty Station: Washington D.C.	Area of Consideration: All Eligible Candidates and *ICTAP Eligibles Within the Local Commuting Area

Applications will also be accepted from persons who qualify under noncompetitive hiring authorities, such as (but not limited to) Veterans Readjustment Appointment (VRA eligibles), 30% or more compensable veterans, persons with disabilities, Outstanding Scholar, or present/ former Peace Corps personnel. Additionally, veterans who are preference eligibles or who have been separated from the armed forces under honorable conditions after substantially completing three years of continuous active military service may apply under the Veterans Employment Opportunity Act.

Detailed application instructions and an on-line application form are available on the Employment and Training Administration, Office of Human Resources web site at URL: http://www.doleta.gov/jobs/.

Position Duties and Responsibilities:

This position is located in the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Office of Policy Development and Research, Division of Policy, Legislation and Dissemination. This Division coordinates and/or develops agency-wide, cross-cutting policy and legislation, in support of the Agency. The Division analyzes, formulates and recommends legislative proposals and initiatives under the purview of the Agency. The Division also markets and disseminates reports on research evaluations and demonstrations funded by the Agency, and coordinates and tracks ETA regulatory matters.

Under the direct supervision of the Division Chief, the incumbent is responsible for providing in-depth analysis of Federal legislation and/or policy changes for the purpose of developing and writing regulations, or modifications to regulations, which guide the national implementation of Federal workforce programs. The Regulatory Program Analyst serves as the principal career advisory to the Division Chief and Administrator on all matters related to ETA regulatory issues. Through a process of consultation and team cooperation with ETA senior officials the incumbent will be responsible for the development, writing and issuance of program regulations for all ETA programs. This position unifies the planning and implementation of the ETA regulatory goals and initiatives. The incumbent will exercise a high degree of program coordination, ensuring accountability and timeliness in meeting agreed upon publication schedules. ETA federal regulations will take into consideration current ETA national policy priorities and the need for policy coordination among a variety of ETA Program Offices and employment-related programs for individuals and employers.

The incumbent will serve as a Regulatory Program Analyst, performing supervisory duties for other individuals less than 25% of the time, ensuring timely and accurate policy, research and regulatory information to the general public. Specific duties include, but are not limited to:

Leads in the analysis, writing and publishing of federal regulations on enacted legislation. Consults with a broad range of federal officials, system stakeholders and constituent representatives. Ensures that the written regulations, in both draft and final form, are consistent with and reflective of ETA workforce investment system policy priorities.

Works with senior-level agency officials within ETA as well as other Federal agencies to accomplish goals.

Coordinates agency consultation with external stakeholders of the workforce investment system by scheduling and conducting public meetings concerning the proposed regulations; analyzes records of hearings on proposed regulations and public comments on proposed regulatory actions. Ensures opportunities for stakeholder input at all appropriate stages of the rulemaking process.

Coordinates the promulgation of draft regulations, including working with ETA Program Offices, the Solicitor's Office, and the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy, the Policy Planning Board, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Responsible for the publication of regulations in the Federal Register for public information and comment, adhering with all applicable OMB and Departmental clearance procedures, (including the Paperwork Reduction Act and the Administrative Procedures Act).

Coordinates the preparation of issue papers designed to obtain decisions on policy directions.

Coordinates the review, clearance and issuance of final regulations, and their publication in the Federal Register.

Provides technical support and direction to other ETA program staff in the execution of draft and final federal regulations; ensures that training is made available to stakeholders and ETA national and regional staff.

Maintains the ETA portion of the Regulatory Agenda, and coordinates materials for the Policy and Planning Board (PPB) review.

Maintains knowledge about publication databases within ETA for the distribution to the general public of advisories, research publications, and regulations.

Performs the duties of Federal Project Officer in the supervision of grants and/or contracts related to regulatory activity, which would include developing Statements of Work, budget documents and processing of invoices.

Qualification Requirements: (Applicants must meet qualification, legal, and regulatory requirements for the position by closing date of this vacancy announcement.)

Applicants must have one year (52 weeks) of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower grade level, GS-13, in the Federal service. Specialized experience is experience in or directly related to the line of work of the position to be filled, such as coordinating the promulgation of draft regulations, and which has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position to be filled (as listed in the above Duties and Responsibilities).

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*ICTAP (Interagency Career Transition Assistance Program candidates): Applicants applying for special selection priority under 5 CFR Part 330 Subparts C or G (ICTAP), must be well qualified and submit proof of eligibility, i.e., RIF separation notice, certificate of expected separation, or other agency certification that you are in a surplus occupation; submit the last or current performance rating of record of at least fully successful or equivalent; apply for a vacancy at or below the grade level from which separated; file an application for a specific vacancy within the time frame indicated in the announcement; and be well qualified for the position. If separated through compensable injury or disability, no performance rating is required. Well qualified is defined as: A rating of at least Good on evaluation factors designed as High (H).

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

The following statements apply if checked:	
Requires a security clearance Requires a medical examination X Subject to financial disclosure requirements X Requires a supervisory/managerial probationary period if the requirement has not been met Subject to frequent overtime Subject to frequent travel	Requires a valid drivers license Subject to geographic mobility Subject to drug test prior to appointment Subject to receipt of an official college transcript if qualification was based solely on education or a combination of education and experience.

METHOD OF EVALUATION

Applicants meeting the minimum qualification requirements for this position may be further evaluated against other job related factors to determine who will be referred to the selecting official. The rating and ranking of candidates to determine the best qualified will be accomplished by comparing the candidate's knowledge, skills and abilities against those of other eligible candidates for each of the evaluation factors. The most important factors will be designated by the letter (H), indicating high. These factors are essential to the successful performance of the duties of the position. The candidate's experience, training, awards and performance appraisal will be considered in the evaluation process. It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide all of the information needed by the closing date of this announcement. Current and/or past supervisors may be contacted unless specified otherwise. Applicants may be interviewed by a panel and/or the selecting official or his/her designee.

EVALUATION FACTORS: It is **highly recommended**, but not required, that all candidates address and submit the evaluation factors on a separate sheet of paper. To be considered Highly Qualified (HQ), applicants need to receive a rating of "High" (H) in all factors listed below designated (H). For ICTAP eligibles to be considered well qualified, they must receive a rating of "High" (H) in factors 1, 2, 3, & 5 and a rating of Medium (M) in factor 4. **Failure to address these evaluation factors may impact your final rating and/or ranking.**

IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT ALL APPLICANTS ADDRESS EACH OF THE EVALUATION FACTORS LISTED BELOW. FAILURE TO ADDRESS THESE EVALUATION FACTORS MAY IMPACT YOUR FINAL RATING OR RANKING.

EVALUATION FACTORS: Factors designated (H) are rated high.

- 1. Extensive knowledge of federal employment and training programs, laws, regulations, and the policy guidance that governs them, and of principles and practices of policy development and policy analysis. **(H)**
- 2. Demonstrated technical expertise on the federal legislative process, including the Administrative Procedures Act and the Paperwork Reduction Act, and skill in areas such as analyzing and drafting employment and training legislation and regulatory documents, securing legal opinions, and preparing paperwork packages for OMB and the Federal Register. (H)
- 3. Ability to coordinate, negotiate and communicate with key officials and staff in DOL, other Federal, State and local agencies, as well as public interest and workforce investment system stakeholders, with demonstrated knowledge of the governance and communication structure of the public workforce system. (H)
- 4. Demonstrated ability to lead professional staff and to identify, establish and manage multiple workload priorities in order to accomplish agency goals and priorities, under strict time lines. (H)(M) ICTAP Candidates Only
- 5. Extensive communication skills, both orally and in writing, in order to lead groups and to develop and make interactive presentations for a variety of audiences, including executive leaders; to prepare documents, to write federal regulations and to issue guidance to the public workforce system on federal program policies and requirements. **(H)**

HOW TO APPLY

You may submit an Optional Application for Federal Employment (OF-612), a resume **or** any other written format, including a Standard Form (SF) 171, you choose. Certain information is needed in order to evaluate your qualifications for the job, therefore, your application **must** contain the following information:

- Vacancy announcement number, title, series, grade for the job for which you are applying
- Full legal name and mailing address
- Social Security Number (SSN)
- Country of Citizenship MUST BE U.S. CITIZEN
- Veterans Preference
- Daytime and evening telephone numbers
- For experiences most relevant to the position, include name of employer, dates of employment, job title, start and end dates, a description of your duties and responsibilities and hours worked per week for each job listed
- Title, series and grade and dates of highest Federal civilian position held
- For education, include name, city, and state of high school and colleges/universities attended as well as date of diploma or GED. Also include type and year of any degrees received and majors. If no degree, include total credits earned and indicate whether semester or quarter hours. Do not send transcripts unless checked below.
- To receive credit for relevant training, list seminar/course titles, dates, number of hours and name of the institutions from which training was received.
- Description of honors, awards, and special qualifications such as language skills, computer skills along with dates acquired, if relevant to position.
- If applying for reinstatement or transfer, attach a copy of the appropriate SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action, which confirms your status.

The following material is required if checked:

- <u>X</u> -- Most recent supervisory performance appraisal <u>or</u> a statement with reasons why you do not have a supervisory appraisal is required for all applicants.
- X SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action (Required for all current or former federal applicants).
- College transcript (Required if qualifying based solely on education or a combination of education and experience.
- X -- Other: DD-214 and/or SF-15 for VETERANS
- X -- Other: ICTAP Letter for ICTAP Eligibles
- X -- Please complete and submit the attached Applicant
 Background Questionnaire, OMB No. 1225-0072, with
 your application. Submission of this form is optional.
 Data collected will be used only in aggregate, to
 assess the effectiveness of outreach efforts.
 Consideration for this job will not be affected by failure
 to submit this form. We will acknowledge receipt of
 your application, if it is accompanied with this form.

Your job application will not be accepted 1) if it is submitted in a franked government agency envelope, 2) if it is faxed from a government facility, or 3) if it is emailed from a government email account, as this would be in violation of Federal law and regulation.

Mail your application to, or secure forms or information from:

U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration Office of Human Resources 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-4656 Washington, DC 20210

> Commercial: (202) 693-3922 Fax: (202) 693-3734 TTY: (202) 693-3924

Attn: Kimberly Coleman

The area of consideration for this position is limited to <u>All Eligible Candidates and</u>
*ICTAP Eligibles Within the Local Commuting Area.

This position is Outside of the Bargaining Unit.

An incomplete application package may result in your being considered ineligible. To receive consideration for this opportunity, your complete application must be in the Office of Human Resources by the closing date of this announcement.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO APPLICANTS

All qualified candidates will receive consideration for this position without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, political affiliation, labor organization affiliation, marital status, sexual orientation, or other non-merit factors.

The Department of Labor welcomes and encourages applications from persons with physical and mental disabilities and will reasonably accommodate the needs of those persons.

- -Use of postage paid government agency envelopes to file job applications is a violation of Federal law and regulation. -If the position is announced with promotion potential, the incumbent may be promoted without further competition upon meeting all legal regulatory requirements. However, promotion is not guaranteed and no promise is implied. -Travel and relocation costs will be paid for employees of the Department for promotion. Other moves are payable if
- I ravel and relocation costs will be paid for employees of the Department for promotion. Other moves are payable if relocation is determined to be in the best interest of the government.
- -Selection for this position may be made as a result of this announcement or by any other appropriate means including reassignment, reinstatement, new appointment, transfer or change to lower grade.
- <u>-Special Note to Outside Applicants:</u> Male applicants between the ages of 18 and 25 are eligible for appointment only after registering with the Selective Service System.

<u>VETERANS' PREFERENCE</u>: If you served on active duty in the U.S. Military and were separated under honorable conditions, you may be eligible for veterans' preference. To receive preference, if your service began after October 15, 1976, you must have a Campaign Badge, Expeditionary Medal, service connected disability, or you must have served on active duty during the Gulf War from August 2, 1990 through January 2, 1992.

- * To claim 5-point preference, attach a copy of your DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, or other proof of eligibility.
- * To claim 10-point preference, **attach an SF-15**, Application for 10-point Veterans' Preference, plus proof required by that form.

The Government Reform Act of 1994 mandates that all Federal employees who are hired after January 1, 1995 must receive their salary via-Direct Deposit/Electronic Fund Transfer or must request a waiver.

WHY WORK FOR US: As a permanent or long term temporary employee with the Department of Labor, you will be entitled to a wide array of benefits. The Federal Employees Health Benefits program has many plans to choose from; all at very reasonable rates which can be paid from pre-tax income. The Federal Employee Retirement System is one of the premier retirement programs in the nation. This program features three components: a retirement pension; the Thrift Savings Plan (an employee controlled investment program); and social security. Federal Employee Group Life Insurance offers numerous life insurance policy options covering employees, spouses and dependents. The leave program offers exceptional time off benefits including annual leave, sick leave, an employee leave share program, Family Friendly Leave, Family Medical Leave, and 10 paid holidays per year. The Child Care Subsidy Program provides financial assistance to make child care more affordable for qualifying employees. Employee Assistance Programs provide confidential counseling and referral services to employees and their family members at no cost as well as periodic seminars on behavioral health issues. You may also be entitled to career development and enrichment training. As an employee of the Employment and Training Administration you will enjoy additional benefits such as the Transportation Subsidy Program (vanpool, commuter vehicle), a pre-tax payroll deduction benefit; and Family Friendly Policies such as alternative work schedules. There are a variety of other services provided such as a cafeteria, Fitness Center, Health Unit, on-site childcare center; credit union, recreation association and store, dry cleaners, and U.S. postal services.

DELEGATED EXAMINING AUTHORIZATION NO. DL-1. Competitive examining authority has been delegated to the Department of Labor by the Office of Personnel Management. Non-status applications will be forwarded to the Delegated Examining Unit for rating, ranking and referral.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR APPLICANT BACKGROUND QUESTIONNAIRE

OMB No. 1225-0072 FORM APPROVED

(Exp. 4-30-2002)

The U.S. Department of Labor is requesting your completion of this form to assist the agency in evaluating and improving its efforts to publicize job openings and to encourage applications for employment from a diverse group of qualified candidates, including

including minorities and persons with disabilities. The Department will use the data you supply to determine how many applicants are from different groups and how many of these applicants are qualified for the job in question. The Department will then assess the effectiveness of specific outreach efforts and means of communicating information on job vacancies in light of this information.

EFFECTS OF NONDISCLOSURE: Providing the information requested on this form is voluntary. This information will have no effect on hiring decisions.

Persons are not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Information provided on this form will be used for program evaluation. Personal identifying information will not be included in the tabulation of data in the DOL database.

The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the U.S. Department of Labor, Human Resource Services Center, FPB, Washington, D.C. 20210; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Solicitation of this information is in accordance with 5 CFR Section 720, Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program (FEORP).

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

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Please read the descriptions, then n	mark one or more races to indicate what you co	ensider yourself to be.
American Indian or Alaska Native	 A person having origins in any of the original Central America), and who maintains tribal 	al peoples of North and South America (including affiliation or community attachment.
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Black or African American	A person having origins in any of the black	racial groups of Africa.
Native Hawaiian or	 A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands. 	
Other Pacific Islander	isianus.	
White	A person having origins in any of the original	al peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.
SOURCE OF INFOR	RMATION ABOUT THIS VACANCY: (Chec	k all that apply)
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